## Legal Notice Tongass National Forest Craig Ranger District Notice of 30-day Comment Period

The Tongass National Forest, Craig Ranger District is inviting public comment regarding a proposal to enhance wildlife viewing opportunities at Dog Salmon Wildlife Viewing Area located in Polk Inlet, Prince of Wales Island, AK. The enhancements would include a redesign of the parking area for better vehicle circulation, installation of a vault toilet, and expansion of the viewing platform to increase viewer capacity and improve visitors' ability to safely and successfully view wildlife. The legal location for this project is Copper River Meridian (CRM), Township 75S, Range 87E, Section 28. The draft Environmental Assessment is scheduled to be mailed in April, 2014. Although there are not adequate funds in 2014 to construct this project, the Craig Ranger District is looking for partnerships and alternative funding sources to support development of this project.

Written comments should be sent to: Matt Anderson, PO Box 500, Craig, AK 99921, postmarked by 30 days after the publication of this notice. Hand delivered comments should be delivered to the Craig Ranger District Office located at 900 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Craig, Alaska, Monday through Friday 8:00am to 4:30. Faxed comments should be sent to 907-826-2972. Email comments should use a format compatible with MS Word and sent to: <a href="mailto:comments-alaska-tongass-craig@fs.fed.us">comments-alaska-tongass-craig@fs.fed.us</a>

The project implements land management plans and is not authorized under the Healthy Forest Restoration Act and is subject to 36 CFR 218.7 parts (a) and (b). Instead of an appeal period, there will be an objection process before the final decision is made, and after the final environmental analysis document and draft decision are mailed (reference 36 CFR 218). In order to be eligible to file an objection, specific written comments related to the project must be submitted during scoping or any other periods in which public comment is specifically requested on this EA (218.5). Names and addresses of those who comment and/or file objections will become part of the public record.

Further information may be obtained regarding the proposed project by contacting Victoria Houser, Craig Ranger District, P.O. Box 500, Craig, AK, 99921, or phone (907) 826-1614.

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